A Christmas Story

Editor's Note: Dick Wolff, international hunter and sporting arms expert, suggests that you copy the following letter, address it to a friend, and leave it laying around where your wife is sure to find it. Who knows, you might find yourself on the receiving end of some very exciting Christmas gift.

Dear Friend,

Last night I had a dream that was incredible. Knowing how much you enjoy hunting, I thought I'd pass it on to you.

I think it started with the Elk burgers I had at the club. They were served with chili on the side and I just couldn't seem to get enough of them. Then, I guess I dozed off thinking about how fast Christmas was coming and wondering if this year's gifts would be an "instant replay" of last year's neckties and bedroom slippers. That's when it happened.

I dreamed I was in the lobby of a huge building looking at the directory and not believing my eyes. 1st Floor — Rifles, 2nd Floor — Shotguns, 3rd Floor — Hunting Clothes. I was in a department store that sold nothing but sporting goods.

Needless to say, the first place I stopped was on the floor with rifles. You know how badly I need a new one. Well, I've never seen so many rifles in my life. Let me tell you, it wasn't easy picking out what I wanted until I saw the Sako 30.06 Finnbear. It was a sporter complete with a French Walnut, hand-checkered stock, and a 6x scope. I put the Sako into my shopping cart and took off looking for the shotguns.

Before I managed to get to the scattergunS, I came across a shooting gallery. You know, the type you find at county fairs and amusement parks. As I walked up, the fellow behind the counter handed me a .22 that really brought back memories. Just like the old days, it had a pump action and exposed hammer. He said it was a Rossi Gallery. I thought it was time to give my boy his first gun, so I put it right into the shopping cart.

I guess I missed the shotgun floor because the next thing I know, I'm wandering around the accessories department. I really felt like a kid let loose in a candy store with a fist full of pennies.

After what seemed an awful lot of wandering, I picked up some things I could really put to use. A new cartridge belt, some new suspenders for my hunting pants, a can of Garcia's Silicote boot dressing and some RV-2 to protect my guns while they aren't being used. I even picked up gun cleaning kits for the rifles and shotguns.

By that time, the shopping cart was getting a little heavy so I figured I'd better find the shotguns — quick. When I got there it didn't take me long to locate what I wanted. As soon as I hefted that 12 gauge Beretta BL-4, I knew I had next year's club trap shooting championship already won. I could just see myself breaking clay birds all over the place.

When I got to the checkout counter, I picked up some reference books while I was waiting my turn. You know, books on shooting and hunting are always great to have around.

When I stepped up to the register, the clerk says "Hi" and asks me my name. When I told him he said, "OK," we'll see that your wife gets the information before Christmas."

"My wife, what's my wife got to do with all this," I sputtered. "Nothing at all, except only wives are allowed to buy presents in this store."

I guess I woke up then because I remember saying something about making out a Christmas shopping list. Let me tell you, if I ever wanted a dream to come true, or at least part of it, that was the one.

Well, anyway, have a Merry Christmas. I hope we can get together for some deer hunting next season.

Yours sincerely,

In Brazil

Brazilian lore and legend says that Three King's Day is a time for poetry contests. Verses accompanied by guitars are featured.

A Christmas Flavorite: Fruit Cake

Christmas is time for feasting on special homemade goodies. And it's especially fun to share our prized cakes, cookies and candies with friends and neighbors.

Top a platter or container of goodies with a bow for thoughtful Christmas gifts, treat nursery tree trimmers and carolers to cheer them on their way, offer the tastes at parties and impromptu holiday gatherings, and polish off Christmas dinner with them.

In the midst of card addressing, decorating and shopping, try to juggle a few hours here and there to do some advance preparation. A traditional holiday treat like fruit cake can easily be made ahead. And often it's better when it's stored awhile.

Fruit cakes for the family and for gifts can be baked, then stored compactly in one of the new colorful Rubbermaid Food Keepers. No messy cheesecloth to wrap and unwrap around each cake as they mellow in the Food Keepers.

Just unsnap the lock fresh lid, soak each cake thoroughly and snap the lid back on again. The cakes will stay fresh and moist until you're ready to use them.

With this flavorite recipe you can make light fruit cakes or dark ones simply by changing four ingredients. This recipe makes two 9x5x3 inch cakes or eight 1x2½x1 inch miniature cakes.

LIGHT RUM FRUIT CAKE

2 cups light raisins
6 cups ready-mixed diced candied fruits
1 package (8oz.) chopped dates
1 cup sliced almonds or chopped walnuts
4 cups flour
1 cup slivered dried apricots
½ teaspoon salt
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 cup butter or margarine
2 cups granulated sugar
6 eggs
1 cup light rum

Combine fruits and nuts in a large bowl. Mix dry ingredients, sift over fruits and nuts. Mix until all ingredients are flour-coated. Cream butter and sugar, then add eggs one at a time and continue beating until fluffy. With a large spoon mix in fruit alternately with rum. Turn batter into well-greased pans and bake in a slow oven (300°F) until done. Baking time varies depending on pan size. Miniature pans take from 40 minutes to 1 hour. Larger pans may take from 2 to 3 hours. Cool cakes in pans, loosen and turn out. When cakes are cold, store them together in a lock-light container. Cakes may be sprinkled with fruit juice, rum or sherry during storage to add moisture and flavor before serving.

In Switzerland

A Swiss custom that dates back to the Middle Ages is to start the New Year free of debts. December 6th, the feast of St. Nicholas of Myra, the first Santa Claus, is the day set to meet all monetary obligations such as rents and mortgages.

WANT ADS GET RESULTS

Iconography? It's Part Of Today

The ancient Byzantine art of iconography is a contemporary art, too, and very much a part of today.

So declares John Papaspiliopoulos, leading iconographer and owner-creator of the Byzantine Icons Studio, New York.

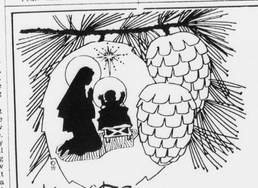
He points out that the turn of the century Art Nouveau technique, which has influenced much contemporary art, is related to Byzantine religious art. A non-realistic use of color and flattening of perspective are typical.

As an iconographer, Mr. Papaspiliopoulos leads the development of a "Byzantine art of the 20th century."

Assisted by the artists of his studio, he has decorated some 30 churches in the United States. In his native Greece, he has decorated 19 Athens churches.

Like Byzantine artists of centuries past, Mr. Papaspiliopoulos works with traditionally authentic egg tempera. He makes his own tempera from egg, vinegar and ammonia. To this emulsion, coloring agents are added.

He makes extensive use of gold leaf, another traditional element in Byzantine art. His work shows his own personal touch but always follows the pure Byzantine style.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Alise Drinkard
Drinkard's Store
Oakville, Va

GREETINGS
To Neighbors and Friends
Warmest Wishes For A Merry Christmas
And Happy New Year
W. D. Morris
Appomattox, Virginia

Silent Night May the spirit of that night, on which the Saviour was born, shine upon you in this Christmas season.
Grateful thanks for your continued good will.
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Merry Christmas
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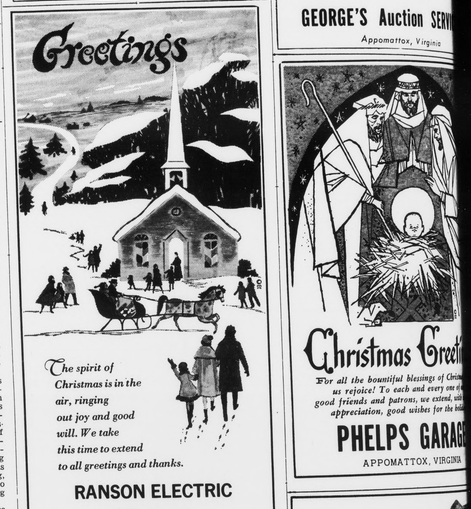
GEORGE'S Auction SERV
Appomattox, Virginia


Greetings
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Christmas Greet
For all the bountiful blessings of Christ us rejoice! To each and every one of good friends and patrons, we extend, with appreciation, good wishes for the ho
PHELPS GARAG
APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA

Greetings
Peaceful as a countryside wrapped in snowy white, the quiet contentment of Christmas spreads across the land. We greet you with the wish that great joy may be yours at this happy, holy time. And with sincere thanks, we extend to you our great appreciation for your favors and friendly good will.
Dairy Queen
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Paulette
Appomattox, Virginia

Christmas Greetings
As we rejoice in the of the first Christmas, may the spirit of the holida up your home with peace go Thanks to all you wo people for your loyal trust and s
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WE WISH TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS FOR THEIR PATRONAGE DURING THE PAST YEAR AND WISH ALL A
Merry Christmas and A Happy-Prosperous New Year
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Hears Spanish Carols

Club of Appomattox County High School, (The fruit loft), sponsor, sang carols in Appomattox Chapter, United Daughters of Confederacy, meeting in the county library, in the background, Christmas scene, part of the bright season-g of the library.

Aboard Carrier

USS John F. Kennedy Dec. 16— Navy Petty Officer Third Class William C. Norcross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Norcross of Rt. 4, Appomattox, Va., is serving with Fighter Squadron 32 aboard the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy deployed to the Mediterranean.

Merry Christmas!

Change For Social Education

Excerpts from a speech by the State Youth Cordinator, Joseph F. Lewis, before the 70th Annual Session of the Baptist Sunday School and Baptist Training Union Congress of Virginia, held recently at Rivermont Baptist Church, Lynchburg.

What has happened to the institutions that made this country great? When you examine these institutions (whether they be schools or churches) you will find that they have failed to grow and adapt to the many demands of change that are being made on them.

If we are to solve our problems, we must educate our people in a Christian way, and with teachers who are committed to a better and more humanitarian way of life.

Education has many aims. Its principal functions are to maintain, transform, augment and transmit culture from generation to generation. It is the process of socially integrating the generation into a living culture. For the individual, it aims also at the growth and development of the person.

"The greatest good we can do for others is not to give them of our riches but to reveal to them their own riches."

Youth today, along the lines of education must be willing to stay in school so that they can develop the wisdom and skills so necessary to be competitive in this highly technical society in which we live.

The younger generation must be willing to accept the role of leader, and prove that they are productive citizens. Virginia is no longer educating young blacks to go out of the State seeking employment. She is willing to hire them now, and is taking advantage of the skills they possess. All the people of Virginia and the nation must become a part of the mainstream so that they can realize their potential.

At the State level the Governor has shown that he is concerned about youth and the role they must play in the future of Virginia.

The establishment of the Youth Coordinator's Office (which I head) is a clear indication that he is aware of the needs of youth, and that he is trying to meet these needs.

We further hope to get schools open in the evenings, nights, summers, to get school buses out of the fields when youth need transportation to meaningful activities.

In the job area again, we will help businessmen find more effective ways to recruit members of the minority race.

These are some of the things that must be done with the assistance of local, state and federal officials if Virginia is going to become the great state she is destined to become.

As Youth Coordinator I will be responsive to the needs of youth. The duties of my position will be to:

1. Provide jobs
   a. Way up from poverty
   b. Answer to our social problems
2. Cultural activities
3. Educational opportunities
4. Recreational opportunities

Appomattox County High School 1971

Girls Varsity Basketball

Jan.
8 – E. C. Glass – Away
12 – Randolph Henry – Away
15 – Wm. Campbell – Away
22 – Rustburg – Home
29 – Altavista – Away
Feb.
5 – Wm. Campbell – Home
9 – Nelson County – Away
12 – Staunton River – Home
16 – Brookville – Home
19 – Gretna – Away

High School 1970-1971

Boys Varsity Basketball

Dec.
29 – Holy Cross – Away

Jan.
5 – Randolph Henry – Home
12 – Randolph Henry – Away
15 – William Campbell – Away
15 – Holy Cross – Home
22 – Rustburg – Home
29 – Altavista – Away
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Christmas Joy
As this quiet scene reflects Christmas peace, may all share its true tranquility.
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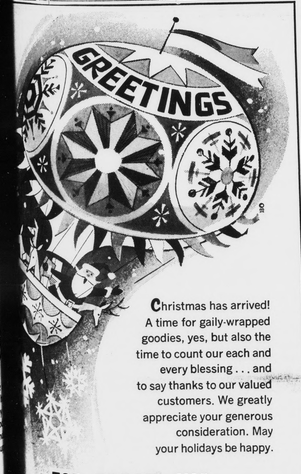
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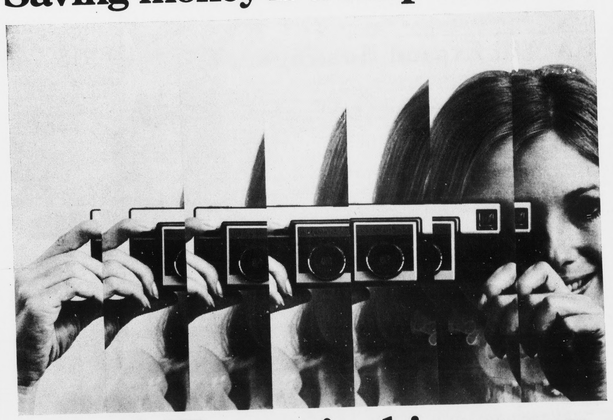

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